
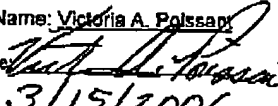


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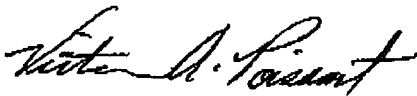
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Please find attached:

- Amendment A, responding to an Office Action mailed 12/15/2005, for Application  
Serial Number 10/823,962 (8 pages).

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**Amendment A**

Dear Examiner:

This amendment responds to the Office action mailed December 15, 2005 for the subject application, in which Claims 1-3 and 5-7 were rejected and Claims 8-20 were withdrawn from consideration.

By way of the present amendment, Applicants have canceled Claims 2-4 and Claims 8-20; amended Claims 1 and Claim 5; and added nine new claims, Claims 21-29. Thirteen (13) claims remain pending in the application: Claims 1, 5-7, and 21-29, of which Claims 1, 22 and 29 are independent.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2; and  
**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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